THE KREWE OF NEREIDS

Presents

FOURTEENTH ANNUAL BAL MASQUE

Saturday evening,

January 26, 1980

Mississippi Coast Coliseum

Biloxi, Mississippi

The Krewe of NEREIDS . . . TAKES YOU ON A . . .

"The infinity of space overwhelms the mind. Outer space goes only as far as man's mind can conceive, yet scientists propose the theory that the universe is "boundless". Does that mean it has no end? I wonder! !"

GALILEO
1564-1642

From the dawn of creation, man has sought knowledge of his surroundings. In his zeal to know more about the "unknown" he has long filled his cup concerning this planet earth. Now he has embarked on the great adventure that surely awaits him in the vast reaches of . . . "OUTER SPACE". What was once considered "Science - Fiction" has become a modern science reality. As man touches the moon; as space ships hurtle through the black depths of the universe, what was once only a "wild imagination" theory, is as real a possibility as Columbus discovering a new world.

STAR WARS . . . STAR - TREK . . . BATTLESTAR GALACTICA . . . these are but a few of the many "SPACE ADVENTURES" that have made tomorrow's "SPACE ODYSSEY" - today's . . .

"SPACE FANTASY"

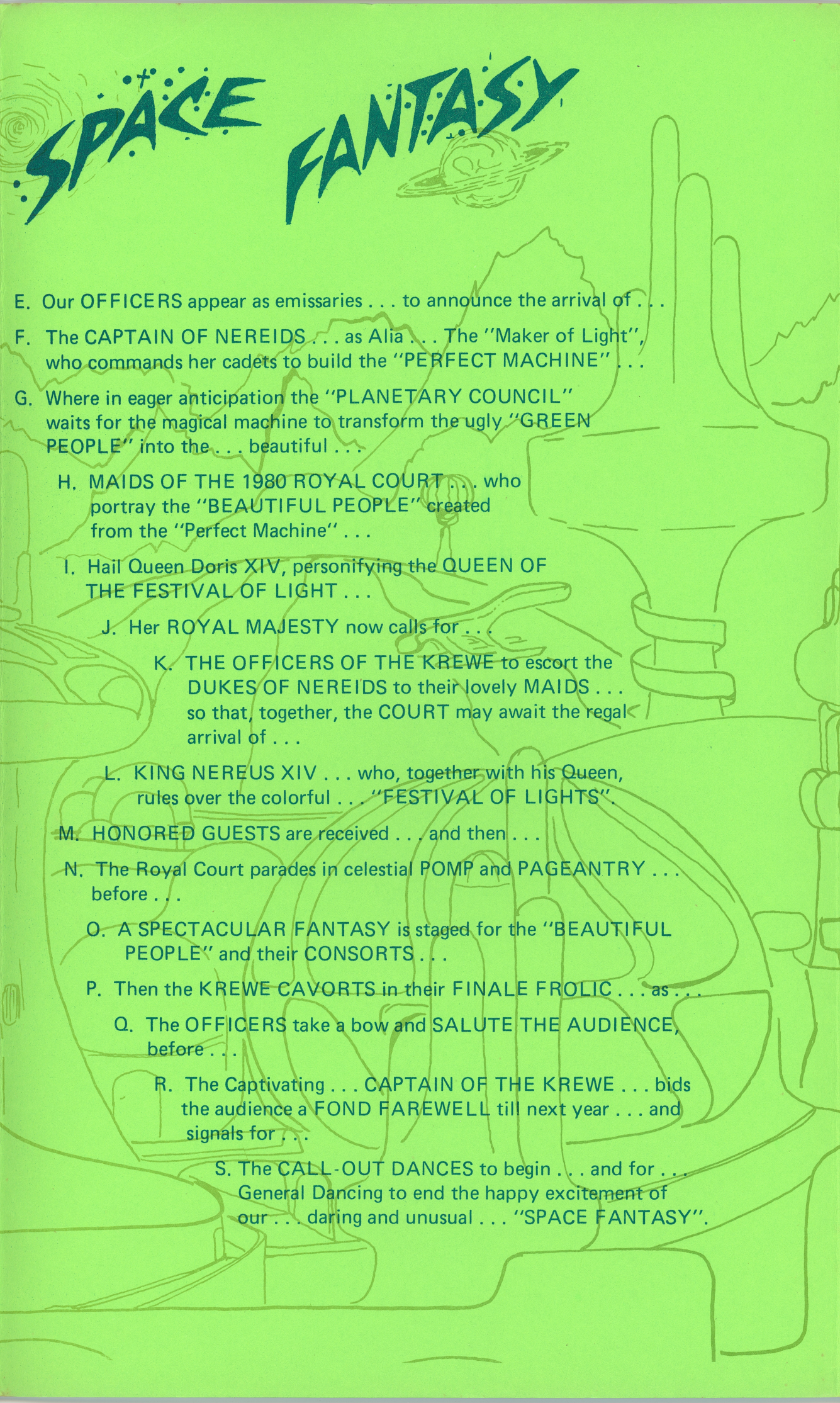
Our tableau unfolds . . . as our "Space Overture" is heard before . . .

A. The Captain's whistle officially opens our Fourteenth Annual Bal Masque . . . as . . . we welcome . . .

B. The ROYAL COURT of 1979, recalling the magnificence that once was . . . CLASSIC GREECE . . .

C. Behold the spotting of the CREST OF NEREIDS, as a prelude to our unique adventure into . . . WORLDS UNKNOWN . . .

D. As NEREIDS invites you to travel with them . . . forward in time . . . to the green Planet Luna . . . inhabited by a grotesque, crawly form of life . . .



E. Our OFFICERS appear as emissaries . . . to announce the arrival of . . .

F. The CAPTAIN OF NEREIDS . . . as Alia . . . The "Maker of Light", who commands her cadets to build the "PERFECT MACHINE" . . .

G. Where in eager anticipation the "PLANETARY COUNCIL" waits for the magical machine to transform the ugly "GREEN PEOPLE" into the . . . beautiful . . .

H. MAIDS OF THE 1980 ROYAL COURT . . . who portray the "BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE" created from the "Perfect Machine" . . .

I. Hail Queen Doris XIV, personifying the QUEEN OF THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHT . . .

J. Her ROYAL MAJESTY now calls for . . .

K. THE OFFICERS OF THE KREWE to escort the DUKES OF NEREIDS to their lovely MAIDS . . . so that, together, the COURT may await the regal arrival of . . .

L. KING NEREUS XIV . . . who, together with his Queen, rules over the colorful . . . "FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS".

M. HONORED GUESTS are received . . . and then . . .

N. The Royal Court parades in celestial POMP and PAGEANTRY . . . before . . .

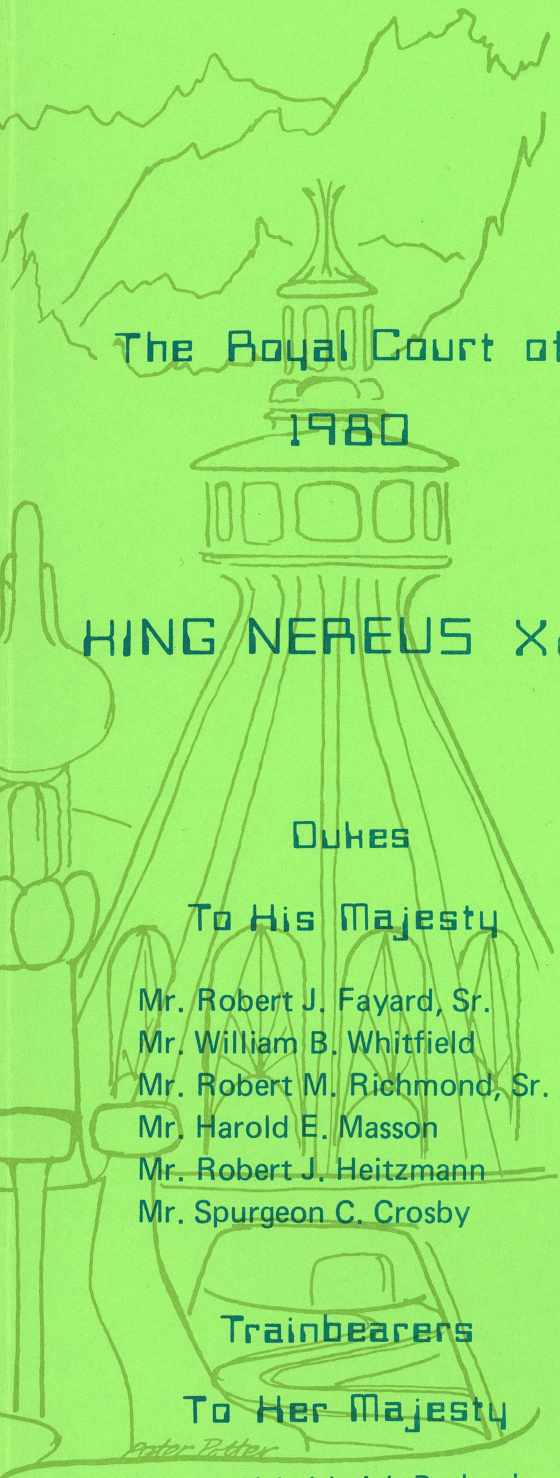
O. A SPECTACULAR FANTASY is staged for the "BEAUTIFUL PEOPLE" and their CONSORTS . . .

P. Then the KREWE CAVORTS in their FINALE FROLIC . . . as . . .

Q. The OFFICERS take a bow and SALUTE THE AUDIENCE, before . . .

R. The Captivating . . . CAPTAIN OF THE KREWE . . . bids the audience a FOND FAREWELL till next year . . . and signals for . . .

S. The CALL-OUT DANCES to begin . . . and for . . . General Dancing to end the happy excitement of our . . . daring and unusual . . . "SPACE FANTASY".



The Royal Court of 1980

KING NEREUS XIV

Dukes

To His Majesty

Mr. Robert J. Fayard, Sr.
Mr. William B. Whitfield
Mr. Robert M. Richmond, Sr.
Mr. Harold E. Masson
Mr. Robert J. Heitzmann
Mr. Spurgeon C. Crosby

Trainbearers

To Her Majesty

Miss Kristi Leigh Breland
Miss Nancy Leigh Triche
Master James Comeaux DeBlanc, III
Master Robert Matthew Heitzmann

RECOLLECTIONS

1967
Cavalcade of American Dance
King Nereus I - Cornelius K. Herlihy

1968
Era of Laughter
King Nereus II - Merlin R. Markel

1969
Carnival in Rio
King Nereus III - Henry Develle, Jr.*

1970
Spirit of America
King Nereus IV - W. Ray Gordon*

1971
Opening Nights
King Nereus V - James DeBlanc

1972
Three Ring Circus
King Nereus VI - Haskell L. Doyle

1973
Echoes of Famous Streets
King Nereus VII - John Gallagher

1974
The Enchanted Toy Shop
King Nereus VIII - T. Dixon Ashman

1975
The Jazz Age
King Nereus IX - David L. Johnson

1976
Hawaii, The 50th State
King Nereus X - Lucien M. Gex, Jr.

1977
State Fair
King Nereus XI - Vincent Schott

1978
Ooh La La, Paree!
King Nereus XII, Clifford P. Vogt

1979
Classic Greece
King Nereus XIII, Luke Caruso

* Deceased

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